

Center for Satellite and Hybrid Communication Networks



Interoperability Challenges for Global Wireless Internetworks

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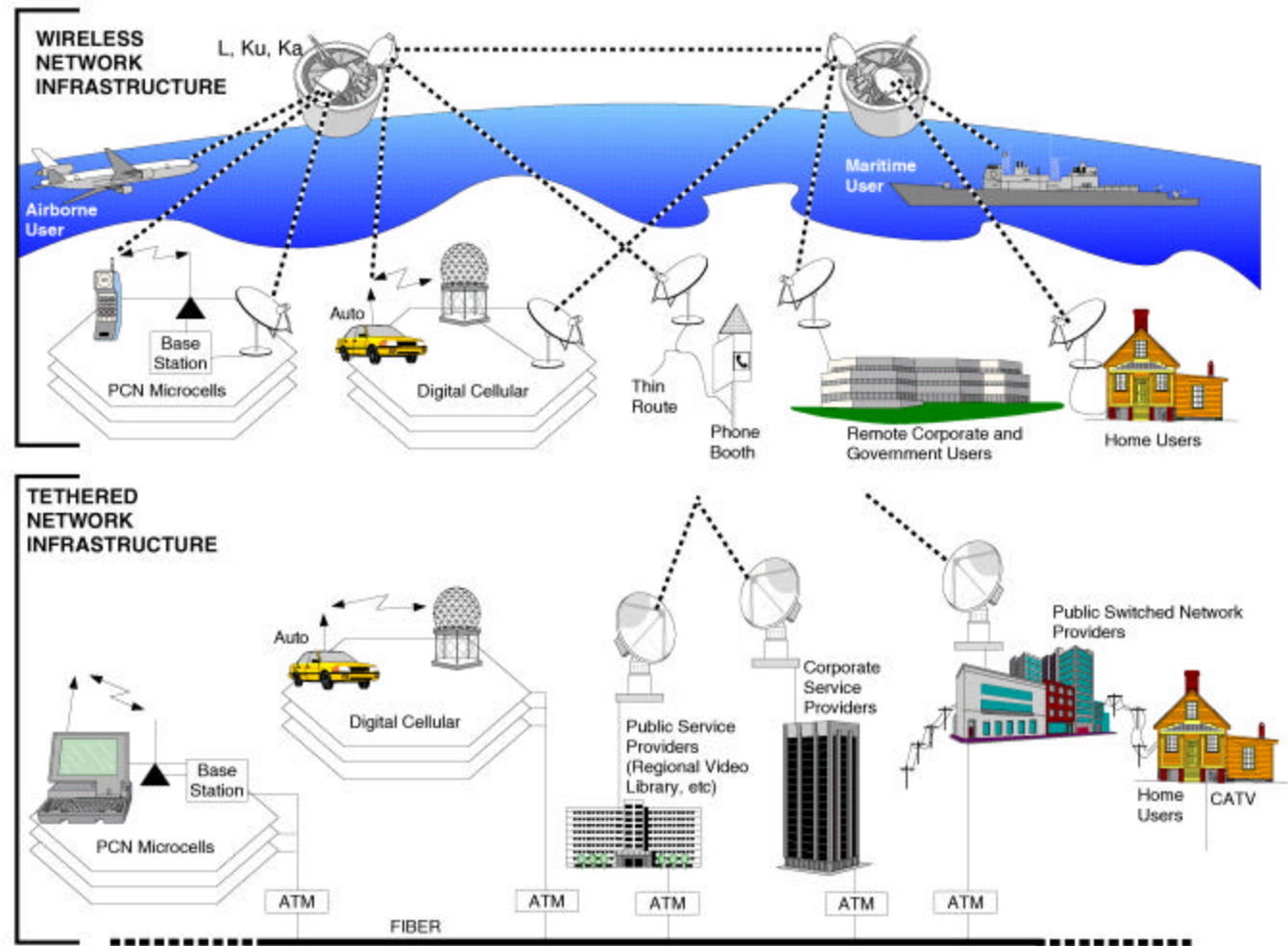
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Hybrid Networks

Current and Future Research at the CSHCN

- Multicasting & caching for hybrid networks
- High-data-rate Internet for wireless and satellite
- Next Generation Network dimensioning tools
- Multimedia modulation, coding, compression
- Group communication security
- Hybrid network interoperability
- Mobile *ad hoc* networks
- Network modeling, simulation, performance evaluation
- Network management
- Indoor wireless networks



BWI

- Dramatic progress in high speed networking and various related Information Technologies over last 10 years
- **Fundamental challenges for making “communicating any-time, from any-where with anybody” a reality**
- Additional natural requirement of communicating **multimedia information** adds to the technological, social and financial challenges of realizing this vision
- Broadband Wireless Infrastructures (BWI), in-particular **Internet-like broadband wireless internetworking, including mobile networks**, has emerged as a particularly promising set of technologies tuned to this vision

A technological development with expected impact equal to that of the PC and of the Internet



BWI: Promises/Advantages



- **Satellite-terrestrial wireless infrastructures can**
 - be rapidly deployed
 - cover large number of connectivity scales from meters to whole earth
- **Offer broadband connectivity to many at very affordable prices**
- **Serve well to connect to and from other terrestrial infrastructures**



BWI: Challenges



- Jointly considering the network and the information moved through it (**link the layers**)
- **Heterogeneity** of networks, media/channels, devices, application' QoS, standards, protocols, software implementations of applications, users
- **Security** and information assurance
- Autonomous and **intelligent** network operations and management
- Dynamic resource allocation and network dimensioning
- Internet accelerators (**it is not just bandwidth**)
- **High-data-rate** to mobiles
- **Business models** and service pricing

BWI: Obstacles

- **Lack of well defined and high quality standards**
 - **Many wireless standards still around**
 - **Common air interface for SatCom**
 - **Formal specifications of protocols for testing and validation**
- **High degree of heterogeneity in physical media and type of information**
 - **Standards for protocol boosters**
 - **Standard interfaces between heterogeneous media**
 - **Wireless and satellite friendly applications (HTTP, TCP)**
 - **Lack of common information representation for coding, compression, modulation**
 - **Integrated Routing: Mobile IP, Cluster-based, mobile AdHoc, etc.**

BWI: Obstacles (cont.)

- **Security**
 - **IPSEC (layered IPSEC)**
 - **Distributed key generation/distribution (no trusted third parties)**
 - **Distributed trust models and authentication**
 - **Routing**
- **Backward connectivity from mobile *ad hoc* and mobile wireless nets to the fixed Internet infrastructure**
- **Scalable reliable multicasting**
 - **Across heterogeneous networks**
 - **Supporting asymmetric and unidirectional routing**
- **Lack of standardized Internet metrology**
 - **Traffic and workload models**
 - **QoS measurement**
 - **Web users and Web page connectivity and update behavior**